

SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOODS

NEIGHBORHOOD

MATCHING FUND

Seattle's uniqueness and quality of life is tied to vibrant neighborhoods, healthy communities, and involved residents.

Created in 1988, the Neighborhood Matching Fund (NMF) helps neighborhood groups bring their ideas to life by providing city resources for community-driven projects.

Recognized and replicated worldwide, it has supported thousands of community projects ranging from playgrounds and parks to street festivals, community gardens, public art, and more. Many of the city's most iconic attractions were created by the community with support from the program. Chances are there's an NMF project in your neighborhood.



Program Details

The Neighborhood Matching Fund (NMF) provides matching dollars for neighborhood projects that are developed and implemented by community members. Every NMF award is matched by the community through volunteer labor, donated supplies and materials, in-kind professional services, and/or cash.

Community building is at the heart of every Matching Fund project. In addition to leveraging city funds and responding to neighborhood priorities, the NMF gives neighborhoods the resources they need to proactively take responsibility for their communities.



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Project Types

NMF projects generally fall into these categories:

- Physical Improvements
- Planning and Design
- Community Organizing
- Non-physical Activities
- Youth-initiated
- Race and Social Justice
- Arts and Culture
- Environmental
- Public School Activities
- Events



Danny Woo Garden Cookery

Types of Funds

FUNDS	Small Sparks	Small and Simple Projects	Large Projects
Awards	Up to \$1,000.	Up to \$25,000.	Up to \$100,000.
2016 Application Deadlines	Applications accepted year-round until December 15, 2016 Applications must be received at least six weeks prior to the start of the project.	February 1, 2016 June 6, 2016 September 12, 2016	May 2, 2016 Must attend one of the mandatory workshops.
Notice of Decisions	Within two weeks.	Within eight weeks.	Within three months of full proposal deadline.
Contract	With the City one month from award notification date.	With the City one month from award notification date.	With the City one to four months from award notification date.

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